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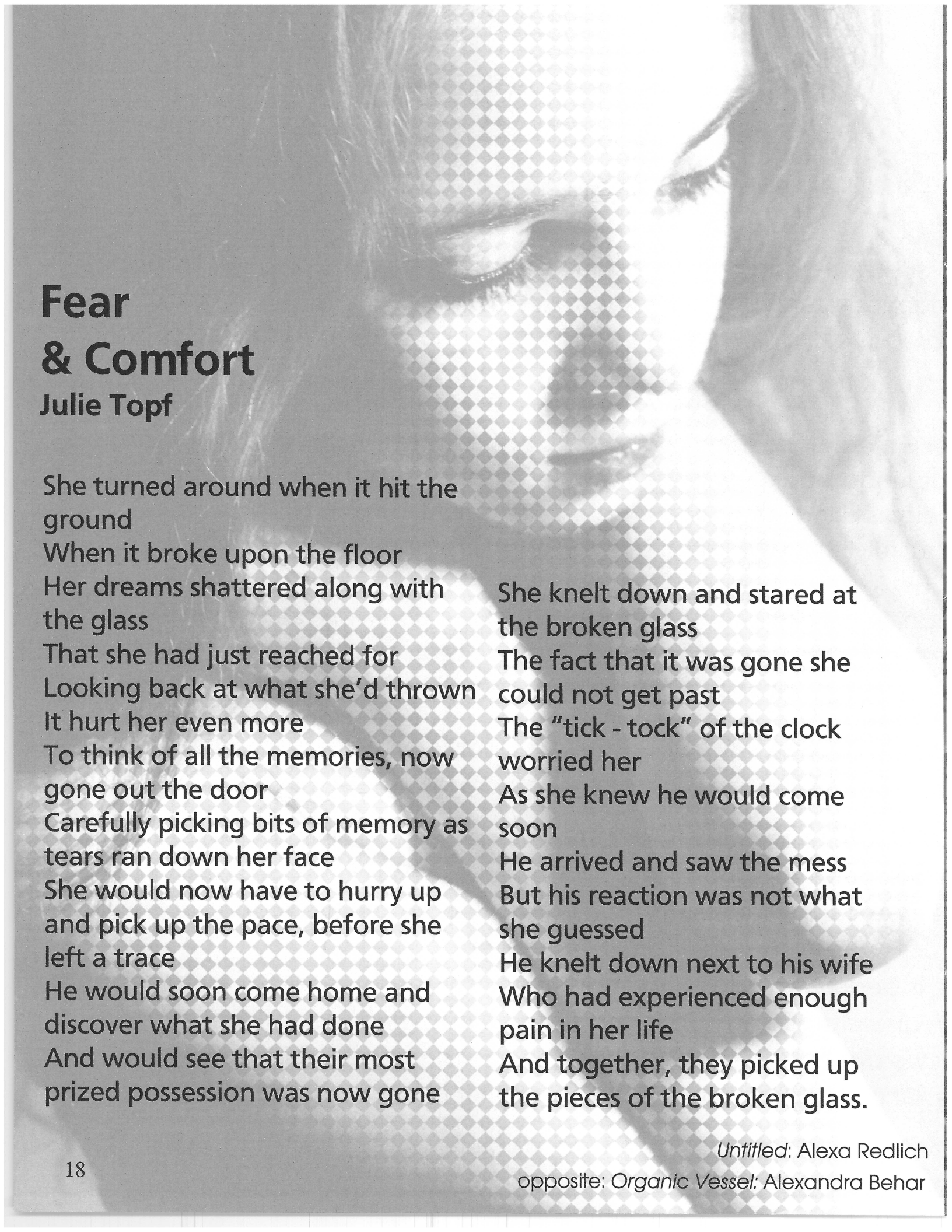
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# Fear & Comfort

Julie Topf

She turned around when it hit the  
ground  
When it broke upon the floor  
Her dreams shattered along with  
the glass  
That she had just reached for  
Looking back at what she'd thrown  
It hurt her even more  
To think of all the memories, now  
gone out the door  
Carefully picking bits of memory as  
tears ran down her face  
She would now have to hurry up  
and pick up the pace, before she  
left a trace  
He would soon come home and  
discover what she had done  
And would see that their most  
prized possession was now gone

She knelt down and stared at  
the broken glass  
The fact that it was gone she  
could not get past  
The "tick - tock" of the clock  
worried her  
As she knew he would come  
soon  
He arrived and saw the mess  
But his reaction was not what  
she guessed  
He knelt down next to his wife  
Who had experienced enough  
pain in her life  
And together, they picked up  
the pieces of the broken glass.